

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the
Application:**

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended): In an image display device including a master display unit and slave display units that display respectively a plurality of pictures coinciding in a position on a projection screen, the image display device comprising:

said master display unit, equipped with a generation unit configured to generate an on-screen picture; and

said slave display unit, equipped with an erasure unit configured to erase the portion of said picture in display region corresponding to said on-screen picture ~~The image display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said erasure unit has a function of displaying an image in which said display region is painted out in black.~~

3. (currently amended): In an image display device including a master display unit and slave display units that display respectively a plurality of pictures coinciding in a position on a projection screen, the image display device comprising:

said master display unit, equipped with a generation unit configured to generate an on-screen picture; and

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said slave display unit, equipped with an erasure unit configured to erase the portion of said picture in display region corresponding to said on-screen picture ~~The image display device as claimed in claim 1,~~ wherein each of said plurality of display units is equipped with an on-screen picture set unit, an on-screen display unit that displays said on-screen picture and an on-screen data communication unit, the on-screen picture set unit of said master display unit sets said on-screen picture to be displayed on said on-screen display unit, on-screen data corresponding to the on-screen picture set in the on-screen picture set unit of said master display unit are transmitted to said on-screen picture set unit of said slave display unit via the on-screen data communication unit of said master display unit and the on-screen data communication unit of said slave display unit, and the on-screen display unit of said slave display unit is the same as said erasure unit.

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4. (original): The image display device as claimed in claim 3, wherein said on-screen communication unit is equipped with a first on-screen data communication unit, a second on-screen data communication unit and a third on-screen data communication unit, and said on-screen data are transmitted to said on-screen picture set unit of said slave display unit via said first on-screen data communication unit of said master display unit, said third on-screen data communication unit of said master display unit, said second on-screen data communication unit of said slave display unit and said first on-screen data communication unit of said slave display unit.

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5. (original): The image display device as claimed in claim 4, wherein said slave display unit is equipped with a first slave display unit and a second slave display unit, and said on-screen data of the on-screen picture set unit of said first slave display unit are transmitted to said on-screen picture set unit of said second slave display unit via said first on-screen data communication unit of said first slave display unit, said third on-screen data communication unit of said first slave display unit, said second on-screen data communication unit of said second slave display unit and said first on-screen data communication unit of said second slave display unit.

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comel 6. (currently amended): The image display device as claimed in claim 24, wherein an arbitrary display unit of said plurality of display units may be selected as either one of said master display unit or said slave display unit.

7. (new): The image display device as claimed in claim 3, wherein an arbitrary display unit of said plurality of display units may be selected as either one of said master display unit or said slave display unit.